

# Sports Information

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## EAGLES OPEN OVC SEASON, TACKLE TECH

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Senior guard Guy Minnifield is closing in on the coveted 1,000-career-points plateau as the Morehead State Eagles open their Ohio Valley Conference season this week against Middle Tennessee (Jan. 12) and Tennessee Tech (Jan. 13), both home engagements.

Minnifield, a 6-2 senior from Lexington, now stands at 994 points, only six away from becoming the 18th player in MSU history to reach the 1,000-point level. A transfer from Iowa State, Minnifield is in his third season as an Eagle after earning all-conference honors his previous two years at MSU.

While it is almost certain Minnifield will break the barrier during the Middle Tennessee game, the Eagles must concentrate on hanging a pair of wins out to start the OVC season. Tabbed as pre-season favorites to win their first conference championship outright, the Eagles will be the target of every OVC team.

Middle Tennessee is the first team to have a chance at shooting the Eagles out of the saddle. To do so, the Blue Raiders will have to end a 14-game winning streak the Eagles have fashioned at the Academic-Athletic Center.

MTSU comes to Morehead looking for its first OVC win after dropping to 5-6 with a 70-60 loss to TTU at Cookeville Saturday night. Coach Stan Simpson's squad is led by sophomore LaRae Davis, who is hitting at a 16.1 per game pace.

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EAGLES OPEN OVC SEASON, TACKLE TECH 2-2-2-2

Tennessee Tech's Golden Eagles visit the AAC for a late-night fling with MSU. An 11:30 p.m. tip-off will accomodate OVC fans watching on the conference's "Friday Night Live" network. It will be the first home appearance on the conference network for the Eagles, who won the first "Friday Night Live" game ever last year, a 61-60 squeaker at Austin Peay.

The Golden Eagles, tabbed as runners-up to MSU in pre-season polling, are led by All-OVC selection Stephen Kite. The 6-6 sophomore heads the TTU team in both scoring (16.6) and rebounding (7.0). He is joined in double digit scoring by 6-2 guard Jimmy Elliott (12.0) and 6-3 guard Danny Schultz (10.0).

MSU has enjoyed the play of senior forward Jeff Tucker. Relegated to a substitute role after the fourth game of the season, Tucker has come on strong off the bench to lead the Eagles in scoring in three of the six games he has made relief appearances in, including a 13-point performance against Louisville backed by 19 at Tennessee State.

Minnifield and Tucker are neck and neck for the team scoring honors, with Minnifield averaging 13.1 and Tucker close behind at 13.0. Two other Eagles are averaging in double figures: Jeff Tipton at 11.5 and Earl Harrison at 10.2. Both are tied for the team rebounding lead with 7.1.

Sparked by Tucker's strong play, the Eagle bench is maintaining a commanding lead over opponents' relievers. The MSU bench is averaging 30.2 points per game, while foes have been managing only 17.2. The Eagles also are holding a +4.5 rebounding margin.

Following this week's play, MSU returns to the road with trips to Austin Peay and Murray State followed by the Ohio swing to Youngstown State and Akron. The Eagles return home for a Jan. 31 engagement with Western Kentucky.

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Conference pre-season pick Middle Tennessee and Tennessee Tech will visit the Morehead State Lady Eagles this Thursday and Friday as MSU opens OVC play.

Since the OVC started women's basketball competition, Tennessee Tech has won the championship three times, MTSU twice and Morehead State once, in 1979.

"These three program have had the most consistent teams since the OVC started play," said Lady Eagle coach Mickey Wells. "Tennessee Tech has won the title more than any other team and they've always had the great teams and great players. Both teams are strong once again this season."

MTSU and TTU opened up their conference slate last Saturday in Cookeville Tenn., and each will face the Eastern Kentucky Lady Colonels on their swing through Kentucky.

Middle Tennessee will face the Lady Eagles at 5 p.m. this Thursday after Larry Inman's club battled the University of Kentucky on Monday.

The Lady Raiders brought a 2-5 record into the Tech matchup, but Wells believes MTSU is a team ready to explode.

"Middle is loaded again this year," he said. "Their record is down because of the strong competition so far. They've played Mississippi, Western Kentucky, and Florida State, all on the road."

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"They have received some great performances already from some of their freshmen," Wells continued. "They may have the best two freshmen in the conference in Kim Webb and Kay Willbanks."

After seven games, Webb was averaging 17.2 points a game, while Willbanks was adding 10.2 points and 7.2 rebounds a game.

If the best freshman does not belong to Middle, then Cheryl Taylor of TTU probably is the frontrunner. Tech and MSU meet Friday at 8 p.m.

"Taylor has given Tech a great boost this year," said Wells of the 6-3 center, who is averaging 17.1 points and 14.6 rebounds per outing. "They were expecting to be down a little this year, but with Taylor playing the way she has been, they will contend for the title again this season."

Riding a three-game winning streak, the Lady Eagles also will counter with a strong first-year performer. Bernice Linner, a 6-1 forward from Cincinnati, has led MSU in scoring and rebounding in the last two games.

"Bernice has come on since we started practice," said Wells. "It takes some time for a freshman to learn the system, and Bernice is starting to get more into the flow of our offense."

Linner is averaging 10.7 points and 5.0 rebounds a game as the Lady Eagles have started their season with a 5-2 record.

Leading the MSU scoring is junior Connie Appelman with 12.0 points a game while shooting better than 56 percent from the floor.

MSU has a 3-1 record at home this year, with the only loss coming against Ohio State in the season opener.

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## EAGLE FOOTBALL LANDS THREE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Three experienced players will play football for Bill Baldrige at Morehead State next fall. Two junior college players and a transfer from the University of Kansas have committed to the Eagles.

Matt Tilton, a kicker from the College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Ill., will join the Eagles during spring practices. He scored 55 points for DuPage last year and ranked eighth in the nation in scoring. He was successful on 28 of 30 extra point attempts and hit nine of 19 field goal tries, with a long of 41 yards. His 22-yard field goal against Harper Junior College gave DuPage a 9-7 last-second win and a berth in the Like Cola Bowl, DuPage's first bowl appearance.

The Eagle defense will get help from Doug McMahon, a 6-0, 195-pound strong safety from Triton Junior College in River Grove, Ill. Baldrige plans to move McMahon from safety to outside linebacker in his wide tackle six defense. At Triton, McMahon was second in tackles with 33 solos and 46 assists, with four interceptions to his credit. Both he and Tilton were All-North Central Community College Conference selections and All-Region 4 choices.

Also joining the Eagles is wide receiver Todd Short, a transfer from Kansas who will be eligible to play immediately since the Jayhawks are on NCAA probation. The Los Angeles native will have two years of playing time at MSU after redshirting at KU last year.

The three join junior college All-American Jeff McGuire as the first four recruits signed by Baldrige and his staff.

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## GAME NOTES

Middle Tennessee State Blue Raiders (5-6)  
vs. Morehead State Eagles (7-3)  
Jan. 12, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 11

THE SERIES: The Eagles hold a 41-23 advantage in the rivalry, which dates back to the 1952-53 season. MSU jumped out to an early lead in the series, winning the first ten games and 20 of the first 24. Since the 1963-64 season, it has been nip and tuck. MSU's two wins last year moved them ahead in the 20-year competition with a 21-19 lead over the last two decades.

MINNIFIELD MAKES IT: Senior guard Guy Minnifield will reach the 1,000-point mark this evening, barring injury or acts of God. He currently has 996 points over his 2½ years at MSU, and his fourth point will make him the 18th Morehead State player to break the 1,000-point barrier. Over his entire collegiate career, Minnifield has 1,153 points, including the 157 he scored while a freshman at Iowa State.

INJURY REPORT: Both teams will be without the services of a starter this evening. Sophomore guard LaRae Davis is sidelined with a dislocated fibula (the small bone in the calf of the leg) suffered in the Tech game last Saturday. He is MTSU's leading scorer, averaging 14.7 per game. MSU's Eddie Childress is doubtful for this evening's game due to an injury to a big toe. If he does not see action tonight, it will be only the second game he has missed in his career at MSU. Arthur Sullivan is pencilled in as his replacement in the starting lineup.

COACHES: Stan (Ramrod) Simpson is 65-56 in his fifth year at MTSU. He is 4-4 against Morehead State. Coach Wayne Martin is 83-64 in his sixth year at Morehead State. He is 4-6 against Middle Tennessee.

NEXT GAME: Morehead State vs. Tennessee Tech (Jan. 13, 11:30 p.m.). The first "Friday Night Live" broadcast from the AAC will pit the pre-season's top two teams against each other for an audience that will cover 20 states and include as many as 4 million households. MTSU plays Eastern Kentucky on Jan. 14.

ELSEWHERE IN THE OVC: Austin Peay at Youngstown State; Murray State at Akron; Tennessee Tech at Eastern Kentucky.

EAGLE STRING: The Eagles' home-game string now stands at 14 straight wins. The last loss at home was against Murray State on Dec. 18, 1982, by a 96-89 score. The Eagles' AAC record now stands at 29-3, a .906 percentage.

TUCKER MSU'S SUPER SIXTH: Jeff Tucker seems to have found his game on the bench. As a starter for the Eagles in the first four games, the Philadelphia native averaged only 7.8 points per game. Since taking to the pines to allow Earl Harrison a starting slot, Tucker has been on fire, averaging 16.5 points per game and leading MSU in scoring three of the six games he has been the sixth man.



TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS: Robert Bell and Robert McGrath.

HISTORY BEING MADE? If MSU wins this evening, it will be the Eagles' best start since the 1968-69 season, when MSU was 8-3 after 11 games. Coach Bob Wright's team went on to an 18-9 record. This year's edition of the Eagles hopes to record the first 20-win season in the school's history, as well as win MSU's first outright conference championship.

PROBABLE STARTERS:

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Ht	No	Name	Avg	Pos	Ht	No	Name	
6-7	42	Earl Harrison	10.2	F	6-6	34	Doug Lipscomb	10.0
5-9	15	Arthur Sullivan	5.8	F	6-4	32	Lonnie Thompson	4.2
6-11	32	Jeff Tipton	11.5	C	6-10	42	Raleigh Choice	9.4
6-2	3	Guy Minnifield	13.1	G	6-3	22	Bryant Woodford	5.2
6-2	12	Jeff Fultz	2.5	G	6-2	24	Maury Mapes	7.0
		TOTALS	43.1					35.8

STARTERS ADVANTAGE: Morehead State +7.3

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Tennessee Tech Golden Eagles (6-5, 2-0)  
vs. Morehead State Eagles (7-4, 0-1)  
Jan. 13, 1984, 11:30 p.m.  
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GAME 12

THE SERIES: Begun in the 1949-50 season, Morehead State holds a commanding 45-29 lead in the rivalry. MSU took the first game in the series by a score of 80-59. The last time the two Eagles locked horns was one of the most memorable in Ohio Valley Conference tournament play. A 21-foot jumper by Guy Minnifield at the horn propelled MSU to a 54-53 victory which, combined with Akron's upset of Murray State, opened the gates to Morehead State's first NCAA appearance in 22 years.

STARTING ALL OVER AGAIN? Last night's loss to Middle Tennessee snapped a 14-game home winning streak for Morehead State, which dated back to 1982. That was the longest winning string the Eagles have fashioned in the AAC.

FRIENDLY CONFINES: The Eagles have enjoyed outstanding success since moving to the AAC. In 33 games, MSU has fashioned a 29-4 record (.879 percentage). Of the four losses, two have been to Middle Tennessee, one to Southern Illinois in overtime, and one to Murray State. Seven of the games in the AAC were decided by three points or less, with the Eagles winning six. Three overtime games have been played in the AAC, with MSU winning two. The Eagles have averaged 79.9 points per game played in their new roost, while the opponents have averaged 68.4.

MINNIFIELD DID IT! Although the Eagles struggled last night, senior guard Guy Minnifield hit a high note by becoming the 18th Morehead State player to reach the 1,000-point plateau. In the 66 years of MSU roundball, the fans have enjoyed seeing a player reach that mark an average of once out of every 3½ years.

COACHES: Tom Deaton is 40-51 in his fourth year at Tech. He is 2-5 against Morehead State. Wayne Martin is 81-65 in his sixth year at Morehead State, and is 8-3 against Tech.

ALL OVER THE LAND: Tonight's (or this morning's) broadcast on the OVC "Friday Night Live" network will be beamed to more than millions of homes in 48 states and will reach both east and west coasts, making this the largest audience to view a game from the Academic-Athletic Center. The signal is being bounced off WesStar across the globe, making it available to everyone from Alaska to Zimbabwe.

NEXT GAME: The Eagles take to the road for a date with Austin Peay of Jan. 19 in Clarksville. Tech hosts Akron that same evening.

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"Although it's early in the season, we must win these two games if we are going to finish in the upper four and make the conference tournament," Wells said.

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Youngstown State, the surprise of the OVC thus far, has been powered by accurate shooting but plagued by a lack of intensity. Leading four starters in double figures is Ray Robinson, a 6-7 forward who is hitting 13.4 points per game. He is backed by Bruce Timko's 11.9, Troy Williams' 11.8, and Ricky Tunstall's 10.8 scoring averages. Kevin Cherry is the only Penguin starter not in double figures, but is not far from it at 9.1.

Tunstall picked up where he left off last year as the OVC's leading shot blocker, having rejected 55 attempts thus far. He also heads up a strong rebounding effort with 8.3 boards per outing.

At 11-5, the Penguins are the only OVC school with a better record than MSU's 10-4 start. Having survived several close outings following an 80-51 drubbing of Akron to start OVC play, the Penguins finally succumbed to Tennessee Tech last Saturday to fall into a first-place tie with Tech. The Eagles, at 3-1 in OVC play, are a half game behind the 4-1 record of YSU and TTU.



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After the YSU game, the Eagles will cover the 45 miles to Akron and tackle the OVC's leading sniper, Joe Jakubick, and his fellow Zips. ~~Insiders~~ Insiders say UA is struggling after playing well early, but coach Bob Rupert's squad has been in the hunt lately. In the last three games, the Zips have lost by a total of only nine points.

Jakubick, Akron's "Mr. Franchise," has been bagging 27.3 points per outing as he took over the title of highest scorer in UA history. His work is supported by burly Brian Roth, who contributes 15.8 points and 8.5 rebounds per game.

The Eagles took two key road games last week with wins at Austin Peay and Murray State to improve to 10-4 overall, their best start in 15 years. Senior forwards Eddie Childress and Earl Harrison sparked the Eagle assault, topping the MSU scoring in both games. Each scored 14 against the Governors and 17 against Murray State, while Harrison topped all rebounders at Murray with 12, his best board effort this season.

Childress became the second Eagle to break the 1,000-point barrier this year with his 17 at Murray. The momentous basket came on a breakaway slam dunk set up by his own steal to give the Eagles a 68-62 lead late in the game. Fouled on the play, Childress recorded his 1,001 point on the free throw and now stands at 1,003 overall. Guy Minnifield reached the 1,000-point mark against Middle Tennessee and now stands at 1,041.

Western Kentucky has struggled in Sun Belt competition, entering two games this week with a 2-5 conference record and 8-8 overall. Guard Bobby Jones heads the Hilltoppers with 16.8 points per game, the only WKU player hitting in double figures for coach Clem Haskins. WKU has lost its last three games by a total seven points, including a three-overtime loss to Jacksonville.

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vs. Morehead State (12-4, 5-1 in Ohio Valley)  
Jan. 31, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 17

WELCOME BACK: Following two weeks of road games, the Eagles close out the month of January in the friendly confines of the AAC. MSU has played at home only three times this month. The Eagles enjoy an .882 winning percentage in their three years in the AAC, compiling an impressive 30-4 record.

HOT STUFF: The Eagles are off to their best start since the 1966-67 season, when coach Bob Wright's crew jumped out to a similar 12-4 record. After extending that mark to 13-4, the Eagles got their wings clipped and ended with a 16-8 record. Western Kentucky beat MSU three times that year.

BALANCED BOMBING, BOARDS: The Eagles' balanced attack is seen in the single-game leaders for scoring and rebounding. Seven Eagles have led or shared in scoring honors, while five have been tops in rebounds. The most prolific: in scoring, Jeff Tucker with a total of five; in rebounding, Earl Harrison and Jeff Tipton with six each (Tipton's total includes  $\frac{1}{2}$  credit for two shared-honors games).

OTHER OVC ACTION: North Carolina-Wilmington at Akron.

NEXT GAME: At Eastern Kentucky, Feb. 4, 4 p.m. Wins against WKU and EKU will ensure the Eagles a winning season this year, their fifth in Wayne Martin's six-year tenure. The Eastern game also marks the halfway point of MSU's conference schedule. Of the seven remaining OVC games, the Eagles will be at home for five.

CHILDRESS CHIPS: Senior forward Eddie Childress has scored 1,033 points during his four-year career at MSU, which ranks him 16th among the Eagles' all-time scorers. He needs only 16 more to tie for 15th. Tonight marks the 99th game the Muncie, Ind., native has played in a Morehead State uniform. He'll reach the 100-game plateau this Saturday at Eastern Kentucky. MSU's "Iron Man," he has missed only one game while available for action. He sat out the 1981-82 season following knee surgery.

MINNIFIELD MINUTE: Senior guard Guy Minnifield has scored 1,060 points during his three-year career as an Eagle, ranking him 14th in MSU's scoring parade. He'll need 63 before he can move up to lucky 13th. He's also two away from his 250th assist at MSU, but that trails the Eagles' all-time leader in that category, Howard Wallen (412, 1971-74).

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FLASHY FULTZ: Senior guard Jeff Fultz is repeating last year's mid-season burst which powered the Eagles to the NCAA. Since entering OVC play, he is shooting .727 from the field and .846 from the line, averaging 7.2 points and 6.0 assists per game. With the 18 he picked up during the "Ice Valley" swing, the Richmond native now stands at 232 career assists and is only 15 shy of breaking his personal season best (87, 1982-83).

OLD HOME DAY: Two people involved with tonight's game hail from Jasper, Ind., the "Nation's Wood Capital" because of all the wood products manufactured there. WKU's Mike Ballenger is a graduate of Jasper High School, where he was a three-sport standout for the Wildcats. Craig Bohnert, the Morehead State SID, also was born in Jasper, but moved to Evansville at the age of seven. Although Ballenger and Bohnert have never met, there is a connection between the families ...Bohnert's father dated Ballenger's mother in high school.

PROBABLE STARTERS:

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Western Kentucky

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## EAGLE SWIMMERS FINISH DUAL SEASON

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The state meet is only two weeks away, but the Morehead State University men's and women's swim teams have two more chances to polish their strokes.

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In a loss to Louisville last Saturday, MSU head coach Bob Willey saw his women's record drop to 4-5 while his men fell to 5-7. Despite the double loss, Willey witnessed a positive sign in faster times from every Eagle swimmer and would like nothing better than to see the times continue to fall.

"Right now, we're just trying to build up for the state meet and make the necessary changes to speed up our progress," said Willey. "I want to see our times continue to drop. We need to become more intense and work toward our state meet time goals."

Willey will split his squads against Transylvania and combine them against the Colonels' 5-2 men's squad.

"The Transylvania meet should be a good one to watch since they are at our level," said Willey, "but we will have our hands full against Eastern, since they're one of the best teams in the state."

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---When the Ohio Valley Conference coaches voted Morehead State to finish second in the pre-season women's basketball ratings this season, not many would have guessed the Lady Eagles would be 3-3 in conference play at this juncture of the OVC season, tied for fourth place with Austin Peay.

The Lady Eagles and Lady Gobs are notched for the final spot to qualify for the post-season tournament, to be held at the site of the regular season champion. Tennessee Tech currently leads the league with a 6-1 mark, while Eastern Kentucky, MSU's opponent Feb. 4, is at 5-1.

"Eastern Kentucky would like nothing better than to get that sixth OVC win at home against us," said Lady Eagle head coach Mickey Wells, whose team lost at Cincinnati on Tuesday, 72-65, to fall to 9-7 overall.

"Eastern Kentucky is playing super basketball right now, and I think the key for them this season is they have an inside and outside game," Wells said. "Goodin and Cottle can come at you from both directions."

Lisa Goodin, a 5-6 senior guard, is second on the team in scoring at 14.4 points per game. Tina Cottle, a 6-1 junior center, leads the squad with 15.4 points and 9.4 rebounds an outing.

"We consider this game a 'must win' situation if we have any hopes of finishing in the top three," Wells said. "We're tied with Austin Peay and we have them here later on this season."

Following the EKU clash, MSU will have five of their seven remaining OVC games at home, including the Lady Gobs on Feb. 23.

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LADY EAGLES HOST WESTERN CAROLINA; MEET ECU 2-2-2-2

Morehead State will tune up for the Lady Colonel matchup by entertaining the Lady Catamounts of Western Carolina Feb. 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Western Carolina, a member of the Southern Conference, is somewhat of a mystery to Wells and his coaching staff.

"We don't really know a whole lot about Western Carolina," Wells said. "They play Marshall a day after our game and we do know that Marshall beat them by 20 points or so the first time they played."

MSU defeated Marshall on Dec. 15, 70-57, at the Academic-Athletic Center.

"They have a small team, but aside from that I'm not sure what to expect because they haven't played around here for us to scout them," Wells added.

The game will mark the first ever meeting between the two teams.

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#### GAME NOTES

Tennessee State Big Blue Tigers (8-11)  
vs. Morehead State Eagles (14-4, 6-1 OVC)  
Feb. 6, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 19

THE SERIES: The Eagles took a 2-1 lead in the series with a 68-67 win at Nashville on Jan. 4. The Eagles won the first meeting between the two schools by an 88-80 margin at the beginning of the 1980-81 season, Wayne Martin's third and his only losing season at MSU, when the Eagles ended 11-15. TSU was able to avenge that loss with an 86-79 victory over the Eagles at the end of that season.

LAST MEETING: After an 85-50 drubbing at the hands of Louisville on Jan. 3, the Eagles boarded bus and headed for Tennessee State the next evening. The effects of the run-and-gun game the night before showed on a weary MSU squad, which was down by 12 in the second half. A late rally by the Eagles was capped by a twisting lay-up by Guy Minnifield with 15 seconds left in the game. The basket tied the game, and a free throw by Minnifield off of a foul during the shot resulted in the 68-67 margin. TSU had the opportunity to win on a last-second shot by Ronnie Cage, but the ball drew iron on Cage's 20-foot attempt from the left corner at the horn.

SINCE THEN: In the ensuing month, the Eagles and Tigers have gone down different roads. MSU has won seven straight following a stunning loss at home to Middle Tennessee. The Eagles now stand in a two-way tie for the Ohio Valley Conference lead with Tennessee Tech, the first victim in the seven-game string. TSU, on the other hand, is 3-5 since Jan. 4, including losses to OVC members Tennessee Tech (73-69 on Jan. 16) and Middle Tennessee (77-71 on Feb. 2).

EAGLES CLOSE ON RECORD: Tonight's game could be a landmark for the Eagles. If MSU wins, the eight-game win streak will tie the school record for consecutive wins, a feat performed only twice in MSU's 54-year basketball history. The 1936-37 Eagles were the first to record eight straight, and the 1944-45 team achieved that mark as well.

ANOTHER WINNER: Last Saturday's win over Eastern Kentucky assured the Eagles of no worse than a .500 season. With a 27-game schedule, the Eagles mathematically could end at .500 by losing all remaining games and a first-round game in the OVC tournament. However, with seven of the nine remaining games in the OVC, the chances of the Eagles losing all seven and still advancing to the tournament would be quite slim. This season's winning record will be Wayne Martin's fifth in his six at MSU.

THREE AT 1,000: Tonight's game will feature three members of their schools' 1,000-point club. MSU's Guy Minnifield and Eddie Childress passed the mark in action last month, while TSU's Ronnie Cage became the latest to surpassed the coveted mark. With his fourth point against Middle Tennessee, he joined such famous players in TSU history as Truck Robinson, Ted McClain, Dick Barnett, and Bernard Bailey. Cage now has 1,018 points, while Minnifield stands at 1,087 and Childress is at 1,047.



MARTIN AND MARTIN: MSU's Wayne Martin reached his 90th MSU win at ECU last Saturday, upping his MSU total to 90-65 and his overall slate to 176-98. He has a ways to go before catching TSU's Ed Martin, who is closing in on his 600th career win, all at TSU. A win tonight would give him 594 wins.

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OVC THIS WEEK: THURSDAY---YOUNGSTOWN STATE AT MOREHEAD STATE; AKRON AT EASTERN KENTUCKY; MIDDLE TENNESSEE AT AUSTIN PEAY; TENNESSEE TECH AT MURRAY STATE.

LAST-MINUTE BULLETIN: Word from the Ohio Valley Conference office this afternoon brings the good news that Earl Harrison has been named the OVC Player of the Week. In two games last week, the native of Lindenwold, NJ, scored 36 points, 26 rebounds, 13-23 from the field and 8-11 from the line. His 15 rebounds against Eastern Kentucky matched his career high, set against Alabama-Huntsville on Jan. 24, 1983. Harrison is the third Eagle to receive conference honors this season. Guy Minnifield was named Player of the Week for his play against Western Michigan Dec. 19, while freshman center Pate Clements earned Rookie of the Week honors the week before.

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## BAYES: MORE EAGLE THAN FAN

MOREHEAD, Ky.---One definition of school spirit might be a fan who attends all home sporting events of his or her favorite team. A zealot might even travel to away events. Flatwoods native Kevin Bayes takes the definition one step further as the Morehead State athletic mascot.

Prior to becoming the Eagle mascot last fall, the junior finance major could have been labelled an ideal fan, but being a fan wasn't enough.

"I followed the basketball team to the NCAA tournament last year and had a lot of school spirit," he related. "I've never missed a home football or basketball game."

As a result of the basketball team's 1983 success, the Russell High School graduate found his calling for the upcoming school year.

"Being at the NCAA game against Syracuse inspired me to be a part of the school spirit, and the new uniform impressed me at the pre-game pep rally," he said. "I figured I might as well participate instead of just sitting in the crowd."

Bayes' school spirit began in his high school days as a member of Russell's pep band. That spirit easily carried over to Morehead State.

Bayes knows he plays an important role as the Eagle mascot.

"If you didn't have a mascot, all we would have to represent the University are the cheerleaders," he said. "A mascot is essential to projecting a school's spirit. At a game, I try to draw attention to myself, then turn that attention toward the game and build up the excitement."

When he puts on the Eagle costume, it's like Clark Kent transforming himself into Superman, as he no longer is mild-mannered Kevin Bayes.



"I'm a fun-loving kind of guy, but once I put on the uniform, I'm no longer Kevin--I'm the Eagle," he said. "I can make a fool of myself without anyone knowing who I am."

The average fan might think life as a college mascot is nothing but glamour and fun. That opinion would change after one session in the costume, which is made of a thick carpet-like material which turns the inside of the outfit into a steam bath.

Heat got the better of Bayes during his first game as the Eagle, a road football contest at Kentucky State. Fighting both the hot suit and 90-degree weather, he soon succumbed to heat exhaustion.

"It was my first time in a game situation, and I wanted to do well," remembered Bayes. "I went all-out. I didn't pace myself. With the excitement and the 90-degree heat, I made it about a half. All of a sudden it hit me and I thought 'this is it!'"

Though the heat can drag Bayes down, he has found performing for a television audience brings out the best in him.

"TV makes me more active because I like to be seen on the screen wearing the outfit," he said. "It's my job to give the University visibility, so I naturally play up to the cameras. After our first televised game this year, I got to see myself for the first time. I was pleased with how I looked...the camera caught me when I was most active."

Bayes was forced to the sideline temporarily when the costume unexpectedly shrunk during laundering. That snag has been "ironed out," and he's back at work serving as MSU's goodwill ambassador at home, on the road, and, hopefully, at the NCAA tournament again this year.

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With their eighth straight win, the Eagles matched a school record last set in the 1944-45 season and improved to 15-4 overall while maintaining their 6-1 OVC mark. MSU currently stands in a first-place tie with Tennessee Tech.

Close behind is Youngstown State, which comes to the Academic-Athletic Center with a 6-2 league mark, good for third place, and a 14-6 season record. The Penguins, who were defeated by MSU in Youngstown by a score of 88-77 on Jan. 26, are led in scoring by junior forward Ray Robinson, who is averaging 13.3 points per game.

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Jakubick receives support from burly big man Brian Roth, who is scoring 15 points and pulling down 7.9 rebounds each game. The Zips will tangle with Eastern Kentucky on Thursday before their Saturday duel with the Eagles.

Morehead State will take a rest from conference play for the last time on Feb. 13 when Indiana-Southeast comes to call. The Grenadiers won their opening game, but fell into a 22-game tailspin which had not ended at the beginning of the week.

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EAGLE EXTRAS: As the Eagles enter the second half of the OVC season, they enjoy the advantage of five of the seven games at home. The Eagles have an impressive 32-4 record in the Academic-Athletic Center's three-year history, a winning percentage of 88.9....Jeff Fultz continues to stand out as the Eagles' floor general. He leads the team in assists with 93 and steals with 29....Harrison has taken over the team scoring lead for MSU, averaging 12.6 points. He leads that category and rebounding (8.0).

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## FOOTBALL LANDS 16 RECRUITS

MOREHEAD, Ky.---"We are going to recruit heavily in the state with a goal of getting as many players as we need from within the 150 miles surrounding Morehead," said Bill Baldridge after he became the Morehead State football coach on Dec. 13.

He and his staff have met that goal as seven Kentucky players dotted the roster of 16 recruits who cast their football fortunes with the Eagles on Feb. 8, the first day the NCAA allowed national letters of intent to be signed.

The seven home-grown products tops the amount of any Commonwealth school's recruiting class outside of the University of Kentucky. In-state Ohio Valley Conference rival Eastern Kentucky signed six Kentucky players, Western Kentucky signed five, Murray State and Georgetown College landed four each, and Louisville took only three from within state boundaries.

"I'm very pleased and excited with our recruiting class," said Baldridge. "I think our staff did a great job in the very short amount of time they had to work with, competing with schools that had been talking to the recruits for as much as a year."

The 16 incoming freshmen join a seven-member class of junior college recruits and transfers from the University of Kansas. Among the juco players are two second All-Americans and a former second team fullback from Kansas, where Baldridge served as an assistant under Mike Gottfried.

The Eagles filled gaps in the defensive backfield, at wide receiver, and in the offensive backfield. MSU was last in the OVC in rushing offense and rushing defense last year as it struggled to a 2-9 record.

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## Morehead State Signees

- Jane Fletcher TB 6-1 180 Maysville, Ky (Mason Co.)  
Two-sport letterman at Mason Co. High School...rushed for 1043 yards and a 6.6 per carry average...scored 17 touchdowns...more than 250 yards receiving...named Offensive Back of the Year for Mason Co....averaging 12.0 points for MCHS basketball team...former basketball teammate Willie Feldhaus is redshirting for the Eagle basketball team this year... psychology major.
- Darrell Flowers DB 5-11 190 Elizabeth, NJ (Elizabeth)  
USA Today honorable mention All-American at Elizabeth High School... first team all-county, all-conference, and all-metro...hometown of Elizabeth is just across the Hudson from New York City...business major.
- Jeff McKay WR 6-0 175 Elizabeth, NJ (Elizabeth)  
All-conference first team selection who also returned kicks for Elizabeth...all-county first team...all-metro first team...third team all-state...22 receptions for 473 yards and seven touchdowns...scored a touchdown on a kick return and one on a punt return...communications major.
- Scott Napier LB 6-1 195 Cincinnati, Ohio (Princeton)  
Honorable mention all-state selection...All-Southwestern Ohio... All-Greater Miami Conference...All-Metro Cincinnati pick...graphic arts major.
- Rodd Phillips OT 6-2 225 Cincinnati, Ohio (Princeton)  
All-Greater Miami Conference...only freshman offensive lineman recruited by the Eagles this year...named Most Improved Player...should help bolster a young Eagle line...pre-veterinary medicine major.
- Corey Thomas DT 6-3 205 Cincinnati, Ohio (Princeton)  
Most Valuable Player at Princeton last year...honorable mention all-state ...Cincinnati Post All-City...first team All-Southwestern Ohio... All-Greater Miami Conference...All-Golden Triangle...former teammate Dorrin Hunter was Eagle football captain in 1981...business major.
- Chris Canada DT 6-3 235 Pikeville, Ky. (Pikeville)  
Honorable mention all-state...All-Eastern Kentucky Mountain Conference ...also named to all-county and all-area teams...only three Eagles on last year's team were larger at defensive tackle...business major.
- Tim Hamilton DT 6-4 240 Ashland, Ky. (Fairview)  
Named to the Ashland Daily Independent All-City team...All-Northeastern Kentucky Conference...honorable mention all-state choice... matches two other current Eagles with his size...undecided major.
- Greg Burke Punter 6-0 180 Louisville, Ky. (St. Xavier)  
All-district and all-county under MSU coach Jerry Mayes...second team all-state...averaged 41.7 yards per punt...high school punting average is almost three yards better than MSU's team average last year...business major.



Shannon Young DB 6-1 185 Louisville, Ky. (Moore)  
All-district and all-county pick...three-year starter at quarterback and defensive back...named one of the top 62 defensive backs in the nation after his junior year...listed as a pre-season blue chip All-American in the National Recruiting Magazine of College Athletics...former high school teammate David Woods was a redshirt for the Eagles this year...business major.

Darrell Givens LB 6-3 225 Lexington, Ky. (Bryan Station)  
Honorable mention all-state selection by United Press International and the Louisville Courier-Journal...recorded 75 solo tackles, 25 assists...two interceptions and two fumble recoveries...father Ralph Givens played football at Central State (Ohio) as a fullback...cousin of Jack Givens, who played basketball at the University of Kentucky...former Bryan Station teammate Randall Washington saw action as an Eagle defensive back last season...communications major.

Brent Huffman LB 6-3 200 Versailles, Ky. (Woodford Co.)  
Two-way performer at Woodford Co....recorded 90 solo tackles...29 tackles for loss...blocked ten passes...All-Central Kentucky Conference first team...all-state selection...Who's Who Among High School Football Players in America in 1983...Best Offensive Receiver both junior and senior years...27 receptions for 586 yards and five touchdowns...computer science major.

Peter Brown DE-LB 6-2 210 Camden, NJ (Camden)  
First team all-conference...one of six recruits from New Jersey...two high school teammates also signed with the Eagles...engineering major.

Reynaldo Faust FB-LB 5-11 215 Mahwah, NJ (Mahwah)  
All-conference first team selection...all-suburban second team...honorable mention all-county choice...could go either way for the Eagles...only one Eagle, Ken Johnson, is larger at fullback (217 pounds)...undecided major.

Daman Stephens TB 5-9 170 Camden, NJ (Camden)  
A real speedburner with legitimate 4.4 speed in the 40...carried the ball for 1046 yards, averaging 7.4 yards per carry...scored 14 touchdowns...all-conference first team...All-South Jersey first team...selected to play in the New Jersey High School All-Star game...gives the Eagles a speed threat to go with the beef at fullback...accounting major.

Paul Tyson WR 6-3 175 Camden, NJ (Camden)  
No. 3 from Camden...one of two freshmen receivers signed, both from New Jersey...also participates in track...high jumped 6-11 last year...leaping ability should help in what looks to be a tight battle for the starting slots...engineering major.



## JUNIOR COLLEGE AND TRANSFERS

- m Buzynski      WR      6-3      185      Mt. Laurel, NJ (Mt. Laurel)  
Transfer from Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, NY...second team Junior College All-American...played in Junior College All-Star game...all-conference selection...caught 44 passes for 680 yards and six touchdowns...parents now live in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma...business major.
- Dennis Carr      FB      5-11      212      Pasadena, Cal. (John Muir)  
Transfer from the University of Kansas, where he was a second team performer...first team All-Pacific League...first team San Gabriel Valley selection as a linebacker...15 solos, 70 assists, 11 sacks...second team All-Metro at Pasadena City College...brother Allan Williams attended Cal State-Fullerton and is trying out with the USFL...addition will give the Eagles a potent running attack and bolster pass protection...social work major.
- Vernon Harvey      DB      6-1      190      Roanoke, Va. (Wm. Fleming)  
Transfer from Ferrum College in Ferrum, Va....recorded 46 solo tackles and 30 assists...intercepted four passes...will help fill holes in a defensive backfield riddled by graduation...business major.
- Jeff McGuire      QB      6-0      175      W. Carrollton, Ohio (W. Carrollton)  
Transfer from Harper Junior College in suburban Chicago...second team Junior College All-American...Region IV Most Valuable Player...first team All-North Central Community College Conference...first team all-region...second team All-Ohio in high school...junior college stats include 13 touchdown passes, 116 completions in 210 attempts...55 percent completion rate...1526 yards passing...more than 800 yards rushing, including five rushing touchdowns...marketing major.
- Doug McMahon      DE      5-11      195      Rantoul, Ill. (Rantoul)  
Transfer from Triton Junior College in River Grove, Ill....led TJC with 48 solo tackles...Most Valuable Defensive Player last year...first team All-North Central Community College Conference...intercepted four passes...business major.
- Todd Short      WR      5-11      175      Pasadena, Cal. (St. Francis)  
Transfer from the University of Kansas, where he redshirted last season...Catholic High School All-American his senior year at St. Francis...named Shrine All-Star game Most Valuable Player...first team all-conference in junior and senior years...All-Del Ray League junior and senior years...All-San Gabriel Valley junior and senior years...team Most Valuable Player junior and senior years...communications major.
- Matt Tilton      PK      6-4      190      Yorkville, Ill. (Yorkville)  
Transfer from College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Ill....All-North Central Community College Conference first team selection...hit 29 of 30 extra point attempts...successful on 9 of 15 field goal attempts, including longs of 46 and 39 yards...three pressure field goals enabled DuPage to defeat McGuire's Harper team and advance to the Like Cola Bowl in Cedar Fall, Iowa...business/finance major.

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## GAME NOTES

Youngstown State Penguins (14-6, 6-2)  
vs. Morehead State Eagles (15-4, 6-1)  
February 9, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 20

THE SERIES: Morehead State stands unbeaten in the series with Youngstown State. The Eagles are 5-0 against the Penguins since the rivalry began with YSU's entry in the OVC in the 1981-82 season. The largest MSU win was by 16 in the first meeting of last season. The closest game was a three-point win in the second game of the 1981-82 season.

LAST MEETING: The two clubs met in Youngstown on Jan. 26, when the Eagles took an 88-77 win. A total of 53 fouls were whistled in the contest, which saw Earl Harrison foul out for MSU and Gary Robbins, Ray Robinson, Troy Williams, and Ricky Tunstall all gather five fouls for YSU. YSU's Little Big Man, 5-11 guard Bruce Timko, led the Penguins with 16 points, backed by Tunstall's 15 and Robinson's 12. The Eagles were paced by Jeff Tucker's 20, Jeff Tipton's 18, Guy Minnifield's 15, Harrison's 11, and "Pee Wee" Sullivan's 10. Tunstall, the OVC's leading shot blocker, rejected only one MSU shot in the battle. The Eagles, down by two at the half, rattled off 12 unanswered points to start the second 20 minutes and never looked back as YSU could pull no closer than seven down the stretch.

KEEP ON ROLLING: MSU's two 1,000-point club members continue to advance in the scoring list. Guy Minnifield's 1,089 puts him at 14th, only 33 behind No. 13, former teammate Norris Beckley (1,122). Eddie Childress isn't far off Minnifield's pace, standing 15th with 1,050.

COULD IT BE?: Jeff Tipton is closing on the 1,000-point mark, but might run out of time before he can reach it. Now at 875, he would need to average 15.7 points over the last nine regular season games to reach the milestone. Tip also is nearing another high point...the Indiana-Southeast game will be his 100th in an MSU uniform.

LAST TIME OUT: The Eagles survived a haywire clock, Antonio Parris, and a late surge to defeat Eastern Kentucky, 65-60, in their most recent OVC game. On Monday night, MSU swatted a pesky Tennessee State team early in the first half for a 73-62 non-conference win. Youngstown State went more than the distance to knock off Akron in three overtimes by a two-point margin.

ON THE REBOUND: Tonight kicks off the second half of the OVC season for the Eagles, who play five of their seven conference contests in the AAC. Youngstown State already has begun the second time around with their defeat of Akron.

HOME SWEET HOME: The Eagles post a sparkling 32-4 record in three years of play in the AAC, for a winning percentage of 88.9. MSU has won 17 out of the last 18 games played in the AAC, including the last three.

RECORD TONIGHT?: If the Eagles win this evening, they will set the MSU record for consecutive wins at nine. They've already won eight straight, which was done in 1936-37 and 1944-45.



FOOTBALL EAGLES LAND 16 RECRUITS

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42	6-7	Earl Harrison	12.6	F	45	6-7	Troy Williams	11.9
32	6-11	Jeff Tipton	11.3	C	50	7-1	Ricky Tunstall	11.4
3	6-2	Guy Minnifield	11.8	G	20	5-11	Bruce Timko	11.9
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TIP'S TOUGH ON PENGUINS: Battling tough competition seems to bring out the best in Jeff Tipton, and YSU's Ricky Tunstall is one of the best on the MSU schedule. Against YSU, Tip has recorded several career bests, including: best field goal performance (7-7 at YSU this year); best free throw performance (14-14 on 1/22/83); most points (24 on 1/22/83); steals (3 on 1/22/83).

OTHER OVC ACTION: Tennessee Tech at Murray State; Middle Tennessee at Austin Peay; Akron at Eastern Kentucky.

HARRISON'S HOT ON THE BOARDS: After a sluggish beginning of the season, Earl Harrison has come alive on the boards, leading the Eagles five of the last seven games and matching his career high of 15 at Eastern Kentucky last Saturday. He's also found his shooting touch again and now leads the Eagles in scoring as well as rebounding. He's MSU's top rejecter (11) and dunk artist (15) as well, though he's off his record dunk pace of last year, when he jammed 31 through.



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vs. Morehead State Eagles (16-4, 7-1 OVC)  
February 11, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 21

THE SERIES: Morehead State leads, 8-4. Begun in the 1974-75 season, MSU won the first contest by a 64-56 score. The Zips came back in the 1976-77 season to take a 71-64 victory and even the slate. The rivalry continued to seesaw through the 1981-82 season, but last year broke the Eagles on top with three wins, including an 81-65 win in the final game of the OVC tournament which vaulted MSU into its first NCAA tournament appearance in 22 years.

LAST GAME: The Eagles won their only overtime contest thus far by a score of 86-78 at Akron. MSU went up by seven when an Earl Harrison slam dunk made the score 70-63 with 4:22 left. The Joe Jakubick Show then swung into high gear and the OVC's greatest scorer turned a three-point play then hit the tying basket on a follow of his own shot after allowing Mike Dowling to bring the score to within two with his two free throws. The Eagles called time out twice with four seconds left in regulation, but couldn't hit the last-second attempt. In overtime, Jakubick hit six of Akron's eight points, but the Eagles iced the game with 8-8 free throw shooting, two top of the key bombs from Harrison, a Jeff Tucker dunk and an Eddie Childress layup. Jakubick ended the game with 40, while Childress scored 22 and Harrison matched his personal best with 21.

THE MAGIC NUMBER IS THREE: The Eagles can guarantee themselves a berth in the OVC tournament with any combinations of three MSU wins and three Austin Peay losses. If the Eagles win two and APSU loses one, the Eagles are in. If the Eagles win one and the Gavs lose two, MSU is in. If the Eagles win three, they are in regardless of what APSU does.

LAST TIME OUT: The Eagles surprised Youngstown State and their fans with a stunning 88-64 tromping of the Penguins. MSU was led by Jeff Tipton's 22 (his second game in a row over 20) and Earl Harrison's eight rebounds. Youngstown State's Ricky Tunstall, the OVC's top shot blocker, recorded no rejects in the game. Akron dropped an 86-77 loss at Eastern Kentucky on Thursday. Jakubick ended his school-record string of consecutive free throws with an 8-11 performance.

HITTING DOUBLE DIGITS?: The Eagles set an MSU record for consecutive wins with their ninth in a row Thursday night. The old record of eight was reached twice, in 1936-37 and again in 1944-45. With an Eagle win tonight, that string could reach ten and give MSU its 17th win earlier in the season than any other Eagle team achieved.

THEY KEEP IT UP: Guy Minnifield now stands at 1,097 career points at MSU, and will break through the 1,100-point mark with his third point tonight. Eddie Childress gained some ground on Minnifield, and now has 1,063. Jeff Tipton's 22 pushed him within three points of the 900-point level. He would have to average 14.6 points in the remaining seven games of the regular season to reach 1,000.



HAPPINESS IS THE AAC: The Eagles have found the confines of the AAC friendly, with a 33-4 overall record in three years in their new home. That's a winning percentage of 89.2. With a sweep of the remaining home games this season, the Eagles could improve that percentage to 90.5.

STRINGING ALONG: Tipton has put together two consecutive 20-plus games for the Eagles--a 21-point effort against Tennessee State and a 22-point night against Youngstown State. Harrison has fashioned five straight games in which he has led the Eagles in rebounding, and has topped the MSU team in rebounding in six of the last seven outings.

TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS: Jim Desmond and Jerry Petro. This is the only time Desmond will call an MSU game during the regular season, while Petro called the Murray State game.

WHAT IF...: If there is a tie between two teams for the OVC regular season title or for a spot in the tournament, the conference office will follow these steps to break the deadlock:

1. Compare the records of the games played between the tied teams to determine priority of seeding or participation. In the event that this does not indicate an advantage, proceed to step two.
2. Compare the tied teams' records against the highest ranked nontied team, if one of the two tied teams has performed more successfully than the other tied team against the highest ranked team, it shall receive preference. If the two teams are still tied, proceed to the next highest ranked nontied team and compare. If the deadlock is not broken by the time all ranked nontied teams are exhausted, proceed to step three.
3. The dreaded coin toss.

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## MSU VOLLEYBALL SIGNS 5-9 PAIR

MOREHEAD, KY -- Morehead State University head volleyball coach Jim McClellan has announced signing Anne Bradley of Cincinnati (St. Ursula Academy) and Kim Chaney of Independence (Scott), to national letters of intent.

With the loss of three starters to graduation and another sidelined by knee surgery, McClellan expects to receive a lot of play from the 5-9 pair.

"We lost two-year starter Wendy Rumford to knee surgery and I expect one of the two to fill her space in the line-up," said McClellan.

During her senior year at St. Ursula, Bradley was team captain while earning first-team selections to the Cincinnati All-City team and All-Metro Conference team.

Bradley is the sister of 1983 team captain Mary Bradley, who will be a senior for the Eagles during the 1984 season.

"Anne is an excellent defensive player with an aggressive style, and I expect her to come in and contribute to the team's success immediately," said McClellan. "She comes from a very competitive volleyball school and is currently playing on Junior Olympic teams."

Chaney comes to Morehead State as the most valuable player on Scott's volleyball squad. She was voted to the All-Ninth Region team in 1983.

"Kim will be one of the better athletes on the team. She's quick and jumps well," said McClellan of Chaney, who possesses a 22-inch vertical jump. "Her volleyball training is limited, but her potential is unlimited."

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NO. 2 AND TRYING HARDER: The ten-game Morehead State win streak is second best in the nation, behind Nevada-Las Vegas' 12-game skein. An Eagle win tonight would pull them within one of the Runnin' Rebels. After that, MSU and UNLV match game-for-game until the first weekend in March, when UNLV plays two games to MSU's one. Now, if the Eagles keep winning and the Rebs slip....

OTHER OVC ACTION: Eastern Kentucky at Kentucky State; Murray State at Tennessee State.

TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS: Sam Lickliter and Charles Reed, both from the OVC.

PROBABLE STARTERS: Will be distributed prior to tip-off.



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## LADY EAGLES FACE CRUCIAL ROAD TRIP

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Morehead State University women's head basketball coach Mickey Wells and his players know exactly what they must do this week if they have any thoughts of entertaining three other Ohio Valley Conference schools during the first week in March. Win both road games at Middle Tennessee and Tennessee Tech.

The task is no easy chore for any team, but the Lady Eagles, 13-8 overall and 6-3 in the league, already have split games with the two clubs this season.

MSU defeated pre-season favorite Middle Tennessee 56-53 on Jan. 12, then lost the following night to the Golden Eaglettes, 58-53.

"Both Middle and Tech are very good ballclubs and it will be very difficult to sweep this road trip," said Wells.

MTSU and TTU, along with Eastern Kentucky, are tied for the conference lead with 7-2 league slates, one game ahead of Morehead State.

MSU will play at Middle Tennessee on Feb. 16 and Tennessee Tech on Feb. 18.

"Both teams are similar," Wells said. "They have strong inside games and can do some damage with their outside shooting."

In the first meeting between the Lady Eagles and Lady Raiders, MTSU showed both an inside and outside game.

Sophomore forward Jennifer McFall led her team in scoring with 15 points, while from the outside, freshman guard Kim Webb added 14. The teams were even in rebounding with 36 apiece.

Tech, according to Wells, has a number of different weapons.

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beat you."

The first confrontation this season, three Golden Eaglettes tallied in double digits.

The most damage by a Tech player was in the middle, where freshman center Cheryl Taylor scored a game-high 15 points and added a team-high 10 rebounds.

Tonie Edwards came off the bench to score 14 points, while starting guard Tammy Burton added 11.

One of the biggest concerns of the Lady Eagles against TTU is stopping the guards. Thirty-one of the 58 points scored by Tech came from the backcourt.

MSU will counter the attack of Middle and Tech with the scoring of junior guard Connie Appelman and freshman forward Bernice Linner.

Appelman is averaging 13.3 points a game, while Linner checks in at 11.2 points and 6.1 rebounds.

The contest against Tech will mark the final regular season road game of the season for Morehead State. The Lady Eagles are 6-5 away from home heading into the MTSU game.

MSU will begin a season ending four-game homestand against Western Kentucky on Feb. 21.

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## CHILDRESS CLOSING CAREER IN STYLE

MOREHEAD, Ky.---Many talented athletes set their goals high, but few are able to accomplish those goals. At Morehead State University in Kentucky, Muncie native Eddie Childress appears to have his goals well in hand.

At the beginning of the current basketball season, the senior forward set out to reach the 1,000 career points plateau. By mid-season, he achieved that goal with a flair for the dramatic, stealing the ball and slamming a thunderous dunk through to help the Eagles ice a win over Ohio Valley Conference rival Murray State.

Childress is a team player, and his goals reflect that. The Muncie South graduate wants his team to win its first undisputed OVC regular season championship, repeat as the OVC tournament champions, and make its second trip to the NCAA post-season classic in as many years, a feat that was performed by Morehead State almost 30 years ago.

As the Eagles enter the home stretch of the conference season, they sit atop the race with an 8-1 league record and an 18-4 overall mark, including an 11-game winning streak, second longest in the nation.

Childress is one of four fifth-year seniors on the Eagle squad. Knee surgery after his sophomore season forced him to the sidelines, but he came back strong last year and was instrumental in MSU's drive to the NCAAs.

A healthy Childress is vital to the Eagle hopes for repeated success this year, since he is the only experienced perimeter forward in head coach Wayne Martin's arsenal.

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"Due to a loss through academics and through injury, Eddie will play a key role for us throughout the season," said Martin, who has been Childress' coach throughout his MSU career. "There is no one to push Eddie at his position, so he is going to have to push himself to improve."

At 6-6 and 190 pounds, Childress has the size to mix it up with the big boys inside, but his shooting touch allows him to take it outside and hurt opponents with his perimeter shooting. He has hovered near the ten-point mark all season, and should he finally break into a double-digit average, he would give the Eagles five players averaging better than ten points a game.

Childress would like to pursue his basketball career beyond the collegiate level, but will be able to fall back on his studies in social work and physical education if the dream does not pan out.

Along with his wife Janice and two daughters, Erika and Anika, Childress soon will be leaving the Morehead community. Although MSU fans will be sorry to see him leave, they will have four years of outstanding basketball to remember him by.

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## MSU MEN NETTERS BEGIN NEW ERA

MOREHEAD, KY -- More than a new tennis season is beginning for the Morehead State University men's tennis squad as Leighton Jones takes command of the team, replacing George Sadler who ended his 15-year coaching reign last season.

Sadler leaves large shoes for Jones to fill, ending his MSU coaching career with a 181-41 dual meet record. He guided MSU to five third-place finishes and one second in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Jones era begins with a season-opening match against Virginia Tech at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 17, in Blacksburg, VA.

As a player for MSU, Jones won the OVC No. 3 singles title in 1982 and finished second at No. 4 last year. In doubles competition, he teamed with Martin Watts to place second in No. 1 doubles at the 1983 OVC tourney.

Jones is confident about the upcoming 1984 campaign thanks to the three lettermen and fine recruiting class Sadler left his successor. The rookie Eagle coach and his No. 1 doubles partner, Watts, are the only graduation losses from last year's team, which placed third in the OVC.

"This year, we should be strong up and down the line. We have a nice blend of youth and experience, which will hopefully help us finish among the top three in the OVC tournament," said Jones.

During the past two years, the Eagles have finished third in the OVC Championships, but Jones looks for that to change this year.

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"I'm confident that we will do well in the OVC this year and hopefully get invited to the National Invitational Tournament," said Jones. "The guys have been training hard and will be in a lot better condition than in the past."

Leading the Eagles into 1984 is a pair of two-time junior lettermen who were runners up at No. 2 doubles last year in the OVC meet.

Fred Kangwa of Kalulushi, Zambia, and captain Martin Lock of Marondera, Zimbabwe, combined for a 20-4 record in 1983 and look to serve the Eagles at No. 1 doubles.

In singles competition, the pair will be fitted into the No. 2 and 3 slots respectively. Kangwa compiled a 17-7 record at the No. 1 position in 1983, while Lock had a 18-4 mark at No. 2.

Popping into the No. 1 spot for the Eagles is freshman Panos Kambadellis of Athens, Greece, who joins the Eagles with some hefty credentials. Kambadellis was the No. 1 ranked junior in Greece during 1982-83 and No. 4 ranked in the men's division. He also competed on the Davis Cup junior team and on the men's national team.

Sophomore Paul Hope of Maidenhead, England, returns as the OVC's No. 6 singles champion and has moved into the No. 4 slot after a 20-4 mark in 1983. Hope will team with Kambadellis as MSU's No. 2 doubles combo.

Rounding out the 1984 edition of Eagle tennis is a trio of freshmen recruits. Martyn Crouch of Bodmin Cornwall, England, and Ian Grout of Shrewsbury, England, will battle for the No. 5 singles spot. Crouch and Grout will combine as the Eagle No. 3 doubles team.

The final MSU freshman recruit is Ricky Malone of Portsmouth (East), OH, who will attempt to work into the No. 6 spot for the Eagles.

"With the loss of Watts and myself we lost a lot of experience," said Jones, "but enthusiasm and talent will counteract that."

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## STATE MEET NEXT FOR MSU SWIMMERS

MOREHEAD, KY -- After countless hours of training the Morehead State University men's and women's swimming teams will finally get a chance to compete in the Kentucky State Swimming Championships on Friday and Saturday at Centre College.

Besides MSU and Centre, other teams will include Berea, Transylvania and Union.

MSU coach Bob Willey is quite explicit about his hopes at the meet in Danville.

"This is what we've been training for all season and we're going for roke," said Willey. "I feel the women have a shot at winning their division and I hope to see the men finish in the top three."

Willey's list of top competitors for the Lady Eagles features senior Leslie Besanko of Cincinnati, freshman Mariana Eyster of Morehead and sophomore Diana Wright of Paintsville.

"Leslie is a definite threat in the 50 yard freestyle, diving and the 100 yard butterfly, while Mariana should win the 100 and 200 yard breastroke," said Willey. "Diana has been the backbone of our success this season and I look for her to continue her success in the 100, 200 and 500 freestyle."

Eagle hopefuls in the men's division and in Willey's mind are limited to sophomore Don Gastineau from Troy, OH and freshman diver Chad Everman of Olive Hill.

"Don has a shot at winning the 100 yard backstroke," said Willey. "In diving, Chad has improved by leaps and bounds. He never dove before this season, but will be a title contender this weekend."

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## EAGLES HOST GOVS, RACERS IN MUST WINS

MOREHEAD, Ky.---With their school-record winning streak now a thing of the past, the Morehead State Eagles must focus their attention on one thing: winning their remaining three games, two of which occur this week when Austin Peay (Feb. 23) and Murray State (Feb. 25) come to town.

The Governors, coached by Howard Jackson, have played improved ball since the Eagles defeated them in Clarksville by a score of 74-59 on Jan. 19. However, APSU is out of the running for the Ohio Valley Conference tournament with a 3-8 record. The Gavs could play spoiler for the Eagles, though, since Morehead State needs all three wins to guarantee itself at least a share of the title.

All-OVC candidate Lenny Manning is the key to the Governor attack. A 6-6 senior forward from Nashville, Manning is tops for APSU in both scoring (19.3 points per game) and rebounding (6.7 per game). His efforts are backed by senior forward Greg Andrews (11.0 points) and senior center Mandel Stockton (5.9 rebounds).

Following the Austin Peay matchup, the Eagles will face the most critical of their three remaining contests when defending regular-season champion Murray State comes to call. The Eagles beat the Racers in Murray on Jan. 21 by an 87-76 score, but coach Ron Greene has brought his team together and the Racers have been playing strong ball ever since.

The reason the MSU-MSU matchup is so important to the Eagles is that should the regular season end in a tie between Morehead State and Tennessee Tech, the OVC tie-breaker would look to the outcomes of each team for the next ranked team. With a win over the Racers, MSU will have swept the



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two games the teams have played, while Tech has already completed play against Murray, resulting in a split of the two contests. That would give the Eagles the nod and the home court advantage for the OVC tournament.

The Racers have been without the services of premier guard Lamont Sleets, who scored 37 points in the earlier encounter with the Eagles. Ranked third in the conference in scoring, Sleets did not dress for either the Akron or Youngstown State games last weekend after aggravating a contusion to the sciatic nerve in one of his legs during a 69-52 loss at Tennessee State on Feb. 13.

Murray has found an able substitute scorer in junior college transfer Craig Talley, who is averaging 17.5 points in the last six games. Another Craig, this time Jones, has filled Sleets' vacancy in the starting lineup and donated 22 points in the Youngstown State clash, which the Racers won handily by an 83-62 score.

The Eagles, now 19-5 and 9-2 in the OVC after a stunning 70-62 loss at Tennessee Tech Saturday, closed their school-record winning streak at 12 games, which at the time was the second-longest in the nation. MSU will try to reach the 20-win mark for the first time in the school's history against Austin Peay.

Earl Harrison and Jeff Tipton stand as Eagle leaders heading into the home stretch. Both are averaging 12.3 points per game. Harrison is tops in rebounding with 7.8 boards, while Tipton is second with 5.7.

Senior guard Jeff Fultz made a name for himself against Middle Tennessee last Thursday when he recorded 16 assists, which broke the MSU record and tied the OVC mark. With a total of 139 for the season, he needs only 30 more to break the MSU record for assists in a season, which

currently belongs to Howard Wallen, who dished up 169 scores during the 1971-72 season.

EAGLE EXTRAS: Had the Eagles beaten Tech Saturday, they would have owned the longest winning streak in the country, as Nevada-Las Vegas lost at Fresno State on Sunday evening. Memphis State, who was tied for second with MSU, also lost, which would have left MSU alone at the top....Guy Minnifield continues to advance up the list of leading Eagle scorers. With 1,144 career points, he stands at 13th and needs only 14 more to tie Jim Day for the 12th spot....Eddie Childress also continues to move up, with his 1,107 spotting him at 15th. He needs 15 more to tie former teammate Norris Beckley at 14th....Jeff Tipton continues his climb to become the 20th Eagle to reach the coveted 1,000-point level. With 954 points left and four games on tap (including a first-round OVC tourney game), Tipton will have to average 11.5 points per game to reach the landmark. To reach it in the regular season, he must average 15.3....Tip's been hot lately, one reason the Eagles have been able to build their winning streak. During a 15-day period, the Eagles played seven games and Tipton led MSU in scoring in four of the seven. He piled up 112 points over that period, averaging an even 16 a game. He had two 20-plus efforts ...Earl Harrison has been rebounding like a demon in the last nine games, averaging 10 boards an outing. In that time he led the Eagles in rebounding in seven games and shared honors in one. The stretch includes 15-carom effort against Eastern Kentucky (matching his career best), a 14-board game against Youngstown State, and 13 against Indiana-Southeast.

THE OVC THIS WEEK (games which have an impact on MSU are in all caps):  
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## EAGLE FOOTBALL KEEPS GOOD THINGS COMING

MOREHEAD, Ky.---After completing a pleasing recruiting season, one would think Morehead State football coach Bill Baldridge would pause for a breath, but he has not rested in his efforts to rebuild the Eagle program to the championship level he enjoyed while a player at MSU.

Part of Baldridge's commitment to Eagle excellence is to recruit from within the state as much as possible. With that in mind, he added two more Kentucky natives to his initial recruiting class. The total of home-bred players joining the Eagles now stands at nine, second only to the University of Kentucky.

Greg Ramey, a center from Morehead, and D.D. Harrison, a running back from Henderson, both have cast their football fortunes with the Eagles.

Ramey, a home-grown product who prepped at Rowan County, comes to MSU by way of the U.S. Naval Academy. A welcome addition to the Eagle offensive line, he will redshirt and be eligible for the 1985 season.

Harrison wrapped a sterling career at Henderson County High School under coach Mojo Hollowell. The third-leading rusher in the school's history, he carried the ball 140 times last fall for a total of 955 yards, an average of 6.8 yards per carry. He also scored 13 touchdowns and led his team in scoring with 82 points.

He also pulled in seven passes for 59 yards while helping Henderson County to a 7-4 record last year. Also an outstanding defensive player, Baldridge has Harrison, who stands 5-11 and weighs 175, pencilled into the Eagle defensive backfield.

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Another aspect of Baldridge's master plan to improve Eagle football is greater interaction between his players and the campus and community. To that end, he has given permission to two players to participate on the MSU baseball team this spring.

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"Playing our final three conference regular season games at home is an advantage for us," said Wells. "If we can win all three games, we would definitely have third place and a good shot at taking second place."

If the Lady Eagles win all three of their remaining conference clashes, third place would be secured and a second-place finish would be within striking distance.

Tennessee Tech must play their remaining OVC games on the road at Akron, Youngstown State, and Middle Tennessee, the league leader with a 9-2 mark.

But first things first. Austin Peay, a team that defeated the Lady Eagles, 64-51 on Jan. 19, is first on the Morehead State home agenda.

The Lady Gobs are led by Gayle Kinzer, who paces the squad in both scoring and rebounding.

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On Saturday, the Lady Racers of Murray State pay a visit to the Academic-Athletic Center.

"Murray State always gives us trouble," Wells said. "They gave us fits down there earlier this season."

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3	Sat.	Baseball (vs. Georgetown College)	1 p.m.
9	Fri.	Baseball (at Cincinnati, 2)	1 p.m.
10	Sat.	Men's Tennis (Tenn. Tech & Youngstown St. at Richmond)	9 a.m.
11	Sun.	Men's Tennis (Akron at Richmond)	9 a.m.
12	Mon.	Baseball (vs. Southeast Massachusetts) Men's Tennis (at North Carolina-Asheville) Men's Golf (Florida Int'l Intercollegiate at Miami, FL)	1 p.m. 2 p.m.
13	Tue.	Baseball (vs. Southeast Massachusetts) Men's Golf (Florida Int'l Intercollegiate at Miami, FL) Men's Tennis (at Furman)	1 p.m. 2:15 p.m.
14	Wed.	Baseball (vs. Southeast Massachusetts) Men's Golf (Florida Int'l Intercollegiate at Miami, FL) Men's Tennis (at Clemson)	1 p.m. 2 p.m.
15	Thu.	Baseball (at Middle Tennessee, 2) Men's Golf (Florida Int'l Intercollegiate at Miami, FL)	TBA
16	Fri.	Baseball (vs. Louisville, 2) Men's Tennis (at South Carolina State)	1 p.m. 3 p.m.
17	Sat.	Baseball (vs. Rhode Island) Men's Tennis (at The Citadel)	12 noon TBA
20	Tue.	Softball (vs. Berea College)*	5:30 p.m.
21	Wed.	Baseball (vs. Marshall)	3 p.m.
22	Thu.	Baseball (vs. Kentucky, 2) Softball (at Georgetown College) Women's Tennis (at Tennessee)	1 p.m. TBA 12 noon
23	Fri.	Baseball (vs. Northern Kentucky) Women's Tennis (at Tennessee-Martin Invitational)	3 p.m. TBA
24	Sat.	Baseball (vs. Purdue, 2) Men's Tennis (at Middle Tennessee) Women's Tennis (at Tennessee-Martin Invitational)	1 p.m. 11 a.m. TBA
25	Sun.	Baseball (vs. Purdue, 2) Men's Tennis (at Tennessee-Chattanooga) Women's Tennis (at Tennessee-Martin Invitational)	1 p.m. 10 a.m. TBA

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MARCH - cont.

26	Mon.	Softball (vs Northern Kentucky) * Women's Tennis (at Evansville)	4 p.m. 12 noon
27	Tue.	Baseball (at Kentucky, 2)	1 p.m.
28	Wed.	Baseball (at Marshall) Softball (at Eastern Kentucky)	3 p.m. 1:30 p.m.
29	Thu.	Softball (vs. Kentucky State) *	4 p.m.
30	Fri.	Baseball (at Charleston) Men's Tennis (Kentucky Invitational at Lexington)	2 p.m. TBA
31	Sat.	Men's Golf (Colonels Classic at Richmond) Men's Tennis (Kentucky Invitational at Lexington) Women's Tennis (Eastern Michigan at Richmond)	TBA TBA 2 p.m.

APRIL

1	Sun.	Baseball (at Northern Kentucky, 2) Men's Golf (Colonels Classic at Richmond)	2 p.m. TBA
2	Mon.	Baseball (at Miami of Ohio, 2)	1 p.m.
3	Tue.	Softball (vs. Transylvania) * Men's Tennis (vs. Cincinnati) Women's Tennis (vs. Marshall)	4 p.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m.
4	Wed.	Softball (vs. Eastern Kentucky) *	3:30 p.m.
5	Thu.	Softball (at Kentucky)	4 p.m.
6	Fri.	Football (High School Football Coaches Clinic) Men's Tennis (vs. Murray State) Women's Tennis (vs. Ball State) Men's Golf (Marshall Invitational at Huntington, WV)	2 p.m. 3 p.m. TBA
7	Sat.	Baseball (vs. Akron, 2) Football (High School Football Coaches Clinic) Men's Golf (Marshall Invitational at Huntington, WV) Men's Tennis (Kentucky Dual Tournament at Lexington) Women's Tennis (vs. Eastern Kentucky)	1 p.m. TBA TBA 2 p.m.
8	Sun.	Baseball (vs. Akron) Men's Tennis (Kentucky Dual Tournament at Lexington)	1 p.m. TBA
9	Mon.	Softball (at Northern Kentucky) Men's Tennis (at Louisville)	3 p.m. 2 p.m.
10	Tue.	Baseball (at Eastern Kentucky) Softball (at Tennessee Tech)	3 p.m. 3 p.m.

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APRIL - cont.

11	Wed.	Baseball (vs. Eastern Kentucky)	3 p.m.
12	Thu.	Men's Tennis (at Eastern Kentucky)	2 p.m.
13	Fri.	Football (Scrimmage at Pikeville)	TBA
		Men's Golf (at Murray State Intercollegiate)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (Southern Ill.-Edwardsville at Louisville)	3 p.m.
14	Sat.	Baseball (vs. Youngstown, 2)	1 p.m.
		Men's Golf (at Murray State Intercollegiate)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (E. Tenn. & Roan St. at Johnson City, TN)	2 p.m.
15	Sun.	Baseball (vs. Youngstown State)	1 p.m.
		Men's Golf (at Murray State Intercollegiate)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (Radford & Tenn.-Chatt. at Johnson City)	10 a.m.
16	Mon.	Men's Golf (Xavier Intercollegiate at Cincinnati, OH)	TBA
		Softball (at Ohio University)	3 p.m.
		Men's Tennis (vs. Louisville)	2 p.m.
17	Tue.	Baseball (vs. Eastern Kentucky)	3 p.m.
18	Wed.	Baseball (at Eastern Kentucky)	3 p.m.
		Softball (vs. Kentucky)*	4 p.m.
		Women's Tennis (at Wright State)	2 p.m.
19	Thu.	Women's Tennis (at Notre Dame)	3 p.m.
20	Fri.	Men's Golf (at Louisville Intercollegiate)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (at Bowling Green)	2 p.m.
21	Sat.	Baseball (at Akron, 2)	1 p.m.
		Men's Golf (at Louisville Intercollegiate)	TBA
		Softball (vs. Tennessee Tech)*	2 p.m.
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		Women's Tennis (vs. Kentucky)	3 p.m.
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		Men's Tennis (vs. Austin Peay)	1 p.m.
27	Fri.	Football (Scrimmage at Site to be Announced)	
		Men's Golf (Maryland Intercollegiate at College Park, MD)	TBA
		Softball (at Charleston)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (Hosts OVC Championships)	9 a.m.
28	Sat.	Baseball (at Youngstown State, 2)	1 p.m.
		Men's Golf (Maryland Intercollegiate at College Park, MD)	TBA
		Softball (at Charleston)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (Hosts OVC Championships)	9 a.m.

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APRIL - cont.

29	Sun.	Baseball (at Youngstown State)	1 p.m.
		Softball (at Oakland City College)	2 p.m.
30	Mon.	Softball (at Kentucky State)	5:30 p.m.

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2	Wed.	Softball (vs. Ohio University)*	2:30 p.m.
3	Thu.	Softball (vs. Wilmington College)*	6 p.m.
4	Fri.	Baseball (at Xavier, 2)	2 p.m.
		Men's Golf (Wildcat Classic at Lexington)	TBA
		Women's Tennis (vs. Wright State)	3 p.m.
5	Sat.	Football (Blue/Gold Game)	7:30 p.m.
		Men's Golf (Wildcat Classic at Lexington)	TBA
6	Sun.	Baseball (at Louisville, 2)	4 p.m.
		Men's Golf (Wildcat Classic at Lexington)	TBA
14	Mon.	Baseball (OVC Championships at Southern Div. Winner)	TBA
		Men's Golf (OVC Championships at Middle Tennessee)	TBA
		Men's Tennis (OVC Championships at Youngstown, OH)	TBA
15	Tue.	Baseball (OVC Championships at Southern Div. Winner)	TBA
		Men's Golf (OVC Championships at Middle Tennessee)	TBA
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\* Softball game to be played at Morehead City Park

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## GAME NOTES

Murray State Racers (14-10, 7-5 OVC)  
vs. Morehead State Eagles (20-5, 10-2 OVC)  
Saturday, February 25, 1984, 7:30 p.m.  
Academic-Athletic Center (7,000)  
GAME 26

THIS IS IT: With last night's (or this morning's) Youngstown State win over Tennessee Tech by a score of 80-65, the conference race moves into the home stretch with the Eagles ahead by a neck. Morehead State now owns a half-game lead over Tech. Meanwhile, the Penguins have consolidated their hold on third place and Murray stands a game behind in fourth. With a win tonight, the Eagles can guarantee themselves a share of the regular season conference championship and the home-site advantage in the post-season tournament, which will be held on March 9-10.

IF IT HAPPENS: If the Eagles win tonight, the seedings for the post-season tournament will take sharp focus. Ironically, the teams that played today would be pitted against one another again. Youngstown State would take on Tennessee Tech in the first game on March 9, while Morehead State would meet Murray State in the second game.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: This is the 100th meeting on the hardwood between these two schools. Murray State holds a 61-38 advantage in the series. Both Wayne Martin and Ron Greene entered the OVC the same year... Greene holds an 8-4 advantage in skirmishes with Martin-coached Eagle teams.

LAST GAME: January 21, 1984, Racer Arena, Murray, Kentucky. The Eagles scored 53 second-half points to overcome a 37-point performance by Racer standout Lamont Sleets and record an 87-76 win before 5,524 Murray State loyalists. Down 37-34 at the half, the Eagles were down 51-43 with 13:10 left when they began their run. Morehead State took the lead for good when Eddie Childress bagged two free throws to make the score 63-62 with 7:04 left. Childress reached a personal landmark moments later when he stepped out, batted a Racer pass away, and charged downcourt to slam-dunk his 1,000th career point at Morehead State. The box score from this game is on the last game of these notes.

LAST TIME OUT: Morehead State kept itself in the running for the OVC title with a hard-fought 85-75 win over a pesky Austin Peay squad. Murray State continued its road woes with a 71-54 loss to Eastern Kentucky in Richmond.

BUSSES ARE BAD NEWS: The Racers are having problems in road games this year, having compiled a 2-9 record outside the confines of Racer Arena.

HOME SWEET HOME: At home in the AAC, the Eagles have fashioned a 36-4 record over the last three years, a .900 winning percentage. Since moving to the east end of campus to play when they went to Wetherby Gymnasium during the 1956-57 season, the Eagles have shaped a 259-74 slate, good for a .778 percentage. Since losing to Middle Tennessee on Jan. 12, the Eagles have won seven straight in the AAC.



FIVE DOUBLES: The Eagles boast five players who are averaging in double figures in OVC play. Earl Harrison leads the pack with 13.8, followed by Jeff Tipton (13.0), Guy Minnifield (11.5), Arthur Sullivan (10.9), and Eddie Childress (10.6).

SLEETS SIDELINED: Murray State's leading scorer, Lamont Sleets, is suffering from an aggravated contusion to the sciatic nerve, which has resulted in numbness in his legs. As a result, he has not dressed since receiving the injury against Tennessee State on Feb. 13.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?: Murray State wraps its home season on Monday when it hosts Southeastern Louisiana in Racer Arena. The Racers close the regular season with a game at Austin Peay on Saturday, March 3. The Eagles will take a break before hosting Eastern Kentucky in an OVC Friday Night Live contest on March 2 to close the regular season.

TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS: Phil Greer and Willard Smith.

ELSEWHERE IN THE OVC: Austin Peay at Eastern Kentucky; Middle Tennessee at Akron.

THE REST OF THE YEAR IN THE OVC: MONDAY--Southeast Louisiana at Murray State. TUESDAY--Tennessee State at Austin Peay. WEDNESDAY--Tennessee Tech at Georgia Southern. THURSDAY--Youngstown State at North Carolina-Wilmington. FRIDAY--EASTERN KENTUCKY AT MOREHEAD STATE (TV). SATURDAY--Illinois-Chicago at Akron, Murray State at Austin Peay, Tennessee Tech at Middle Tennessee.

PROBABLE STARTERS:

Morehead State

<u>No</u>	<u>Ht</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Avg</u>	<u>Pos</u>
33	6-6	Eddie Childress	9.3	F
42	6-7	Earl Harrison	12.5	F
32	6-11	Jeff Tipton	12.1	C
3	6-2	Guy Minnifield	12.0	G
12	6-2	Jeff Fultz	4.8	G

Murray State

<u>No</u>	<u>Ht</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Avg</u>
21	6-4	Craig Talley	11.5
35	6-7	Vada Martin	10.9
50	6-11	Mike Lahm	7.9
22	6-3	Brian Stewart	8.8
44	6-4	Craig Jones	8.3



## VISITORS (Last Name First)

No.	MOREHEAD STATE (10-4, 3-1)	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
33	EDDIE CHILDRESS	6	8	5	5	4	4	17	3	2	0	2	31
42	EARL HARRISON	5	11	7	9	12	3	17	1	2	2	0	34
32	JEFF TIPTON	5	11	2	2	5	4	12	2	4	0	2	24
3	GUY MINNIFIELD	2	8	3	4	2	3	7	3	3	0	0	31
12	JEFF FULTZ	5	6	3	4	3	3	13	6	2	6	1	37
4	Rob Barker												0
10	Tony Vance												0
15	Arthur Sullivan	2	4	1	2	0	2	5	1	1	0	0	13
22	Pate Clements												0
24	Brian Kelly												0
25	Michael Everett												0
50	Steve Brooks												0
52	Jeff Tucker	5	12	6	8	8	3	16	0	2	0	0	30
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)						4							
TOTALS		30	60	27	34	38	22	87	16	16	2	5	200

FG %: 1st Half 14-33 (42.4) 2nd Half 16-27 (59.3) Game 50.0

FT %: 1st Half 6-8 (75.0) 2nd Half 21-26 (80.8) Game 79.4

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## HOME

No.	MURRAY STATE (8-6, 1-3)	FG	FGA	FT	FTA	REB	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
21	CRAIG TALLEY	4	7	3	6	6	2	11	0	3	0	0	34
35	VADA MARTIN (2:29)	1	4	2	4	2	5	4	3	1	0	0	30
50	MIKE LAHM	2	5	4	6	11	4	8	3	2	1	2	34
10	LAMONT SLEETS (0:33)	16	28	5	6	1	5	37	6	4	0	3	36
22	BRIAN STEWART	4	6	0	1	4	4	8	4	5	0	1	38
12	Derek Lindauer												
23	Willie M Holland	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	7
32	David Youngblood	0	0	2	2	0	3	2	0	1	1	1	5
33	Curtis Davis												
42	Jim West												
44	Craig Jones	2	5	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	16
54	Mike Yarbrough												
TEAM REBOUNDS (Included in Totals)						3							
TOTALS		30	57	16	25	29	25	76	16	16	2	7	200

FG %: 1st Half 14-25 (56.0) 2nd Half 16-32 (50.0) Game 52.6

FT %: 1st Half 9-12 (75.0) 2nd Half 7-13 (53.8) Game 64.0

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OFFICIALS: Jerry Petro, Jim Brownlee

SCORE BY PERIODS 1st H. 2nd H. OT OT FINAL

MOREHEAD STATE	34	53			87
MURRAY STATE	37	39			76

Technical Fouls:

Attendance: 5,524



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The MSU-EKU game will be broadcast over the OVC network, with tip-off slated for 11:30 p.m. EST.

Morehead State gained first place in the tight league race over the weekend when Tennessee Tech, who entered weekend action tied with the Eagles, lost a Friday Night Live game at Youngstown State. The Eagles took a 71-64 decision over Murray State to tighten their grip on the top.

Now 21-5 overall and 11-2 in the OVC, coach Wayne Martin and his charges will attempt to hang up MSU's best-ever conference record. With a win over EKU, the Eagles would record the first 12-2 title performance since former OVC member Western Kentucky achieved the feat during the 1980-81 season. MSU's 21 wins surpasses the school record of 19, which was equalled last year.

Eastern comes to Morehead State with an 11-15 overall record and a 5-8 OVC mark. The fifth-place finish the Colonels are locked into is an improvement over the last-place spot the conference coaches reserved for coach Max Good's young team during pre-season prognostication.

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Heading the list of youthful talent the Colonels boast is freshman guard Antonio Parris. The odds-on favorite for the OVC's Rookie of the Year award, Parris is tied for third in conference scoring with an 18.3 average. In the Eagles' 65-60 win at Richmond on Feb. 4, Parris bombed in 22 points in the first half and ended the game with 24.

Providing ample rebounding power for ECU are forward Phil Hill and center John Primm. The duo combined for a total of 18 rebounds in the first meeting of the two schools this year.

Only one senior, Dexter Santos, plays for ECU, while MSU is laden with senior talent. Seven seniors, including four in their fifth year, have powered the Eagles to their lofty status and provide a solid core of experience to draw from.

Leading MSU is forward Earl Harrison, who has surged after a sluggish start to lead the Eagles in scoring (12.6 per game) and rebounding (7.7).

With a 20-point performance against Austin Peay and a 27-point showing against Murray State, guard Guy Minnifield has moved back into second place in the Eagle scoring parade with a 12.5 average, just one point behind Harrison.

Although seventh among in the seniors in scoring, guard Jeff Fultz is approaching a high-water mark of his own. With 153 assists this year, he is only 16 shy of the school record of 169, set by Howard Wallen during the 1971-72 season.

The ECU game will be the regular season finale for the seven Eagle seniors: Harrison, from Lindenwold, NJ; Minnifield, from Lexington; Fultz, from Richmond; Arthur Sullivan, from Shelbyville; Jeff Tipton, from Ashland; Eddie Childress, from Muncie, Ind.; and Jeff Tucker, from Philadelphia, Pa.



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"This game has a lot of significance as far as who we will play in the tournament. We need this win because it will give us a third-place finish in the conference standings," said Wells.

The Lady Eagles sport an 8-5 record in the OVC and a 15-11 record overall, one game behind Eastern Kentucky, which currently holds down the third spot in the conference race. A win by the Lady Eagles in the 8 p.m. clash would secure MSU third place.

The tournament, which will be held March 6 and 7, will be held at Middle Tennessee or Tennessee Tech, depending upon the outcome of this Saturday's matchup between the two rivals.

A third-place finish would guarantee the Lady Eagles a semi-final berth opposite the host team.

In the initial meeting between MSU and the Lady Colonels, a three-point play by freshman forward Bernice Linner with just over three minutes remaining propelled the Lady Eagles to a 51-50 win in Richmond. The Lady Eagle skipper knows ECU will be ready to return the favor in the season finale.

"Eastern Kentucky has a very good team and we were very fortunate to beat them at home," Wells said. "I'm sure they would like to come in here and return the favor because winning third place means a lot



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to both teams."

The final regular season outing for the Lady Eagles will mark the last appearance at the Academic-Athletic Center for two MSU seniors, Lynn Miley and Rita Berry.

Miley, a 6-1 forward from Sarahsville, Ohio, is fourth on the team in scoring with a 6.8 average and is third in rebounding with 2.5 boards per game.

Berry, a 5-7 guard from Pee Wee Valley, Ky., leads the Lady Eagles in assists with 134 and is rated highly in the OVC in the playmaking category. Berry is third on the team in scoring with 7.0 points a game and is averaging 5.1 assists a contest.

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MOREHEAD, Ky.---Most observers felt the game of the year for the Morehead State women's basketball team may have occurred Jan. 12th, when the Lady Eagles knocked off Ohio Valley Conference pre-season favorite Middle Tennessee, 56-53. According to Lady Eagle head coach Mickey Wells, though, the biggest game of the 1983-84 campaign is Friday, March 2, against intrastate rival Eastern Kentucky.

"This game has a lot of significance as far as who we will play in the tournament. We need this win because it will give us a third-place finish in the conference standings," said Wells.

The Lady Eagles sport an 8-5 record in the OVC and a 15-11 record overall, one game behind Eastern Kentucky, which currently holds down the third spot in the conference race. A win by the Lady Eagles in the 8 p.m. clash would secure MSU third place.

The tournament, which will be held March 6 and 7, will be held at Middle Tennessee or Tennessee Tech, depending upon the outcome of this Saturday's matchup between the two rivals.

A third-place finish would guarantee the Lady Eagles a semi-final berth opposite the host team.

In the initial meeting between MSU and the Lady Colonels, a three-point play by freshman forward Bernice Linner with just over three minutes remaining propelled the Lady Eagles to a 51-50 win in Richmond. The Lady Eagle skipper knows ECU will be ready to return the favor in the season finale.

"Eastern Kentucky has a very good team and we were very fortunate to beat them at home," Wells said. "I'm sure they would like to come in here and return the favor because winning third place means a lot



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to both teams."

The final regular season outing for the Lady Eagles will mark the last appearance at the Academic-Athletic Center for two MSU seniors, Lynn Miley and Rita Berry.

Miley, a 6-1 forward from Sarahsville, Ohio, is fourth on the team in scoring with a 6.8 average and is third in rebounding with 2.5 boards per game.

Berry, a 5-7 guard from Pee Wee Valley, Ky., leads the Lady Eagles in assists with 134 and is rated highly in the OVC in the playmaking category. Berry is third on the team in scoring with 7.0 points a game and is averaging 5.1 assists a contest.

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## OVC TOURNAMENT PRICES SET

MOREHEAD, Ky.---The Ohio Valley Conference and Morehead State University have announced ticket prices for the 1984 OVC Basketball Tournament, which will be held on the MSU campus March 9-10.

Tickets will be sold by the book only, which will include tickets for both the Friday and Saturday sessions. No individual game tickets will be sold to the general public.

Chairback seats will cost \$20 per book, while bleacher seats will be \$15 per book. A student with a valid University student ID may purchase a bleacher seat on an individual game basis, with tickets priced at \$4 each.

The tentative date for sale of the tickets is Monday, March 5, at 8:30 a.m. For more information on tickets, contact the MSU Athletic Office at (606) 783-2088.

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# 1983-84 LADY EAGLE B SKETBALL STATISTICS

26 GAMES

Overall Record: 15-11				Home Record: 8-5				Away Record: 7-6				OVC Record: 8-5				
Name	G-GS	Min	FGM-FGA	FG%	FTM-FTA	FT%	Reb	Avg	PF-D	As	St	To	Blk	TP	Avg	Hi
Connie APPELMAN	26-26	864	155-293	.529	37-50	.740	116	4.4	63-2	48	31	51	8	347	13.3	21
Bernice LINNER	25-21	686	109-228	.478	38-57	.667	143	5.7	69-0	37	17	89	1	256	10.2	18
Rita BERRY	26-25	821	80-165	.484	24-46	.521	66	2.5	63-3	134	45	87	3	184	7.0	20
Lynn MILEY	26-21	646	73-165	.442	32-44	.727	114	4.4	70-3	44	31	71	0	178	6.8	16
Loni GUILLETTE	26-18	560	66-145	.455	31-53	.584	118	4.5	76-5	22	22	57	13	163	6.2	22
Teresa RUBY	25-2	319	33-70	.471	22-30	.733	35	1.4	16-0	52	17	35	1	88	3.5	11
Melissa IRETON	26-4	326	28-79	.354	17-30	.556	76	2.9	32-0	10	4	23	11	73	2.8	12
Penny TEEGARDEN	23-0	198	17-59	.288	20-35	.571	33	1.4	25-0	9	5	15	3	54	2.3	8
Teri HADDOX	23-4	161	16-36	.444	19-26	.730	35	1.5	23-0	1	5	23	9	51	2.2	7
Janice TOWLES	22-2	191	19-49	.387	10-16	.625	34	1.5	8-0	16	11	17	2	48	2.2	12
September COLBERT	19-2	125	12-31	.375	7-12	.583	25	1.3	10-0	3	5	17	0	31	1.7	11
Tiphonie BATES	23-0	173	11-47	.234	6-15	.400	19	0.8	9-0	9	7	26	1	28	1.2	7
Priscilla *BLACKFORD	5-5	155	47-78	.603	20-26	.769	67	13.4	11-0	5	7	11	4	114	22.8	33
*no longer on squad				+Team Rebounds: MSU 102/61 dead ball Opp 81/53 dead ball								+4 team turnovers +included in team totals				
MSU	26	5225	666-1445	.460	283-440	.643	983	37.8	475-13	390	207	522	56	1615	62.1	82
Opp	26	5225	651-1552	.419	303-432	.701	869	33.4	448-14	276	231	427	49	1605	61.7	90
Rebounding Margin +4.4													Scoring Margin +0.4			



# Morehead State Lady Eagle Basketball Results

e	Opponent	Results	Top Scorer	Top Rebounder
Nov. 26	Ohio State	L 64-39	Blackford (11)	Blackford (12)
Nov. 28	at Ohio University	W 73-62	Blackford (33)	Blackford (14)
Dec. 2	+Alcorn State	W 67-66	Blackford (22)	Blackford (18)
Dec. 3	+Mississippi State	L 67-61	Blackford (23)	Blackford (10)
Dec. 6	Charleston	W 82-73	Blackford (27)	Blackford (13)
Dec. 13	Louisville	W 57-51	Linner (14)	Linner (9)
Dec. 15	Marshall	W 70-57	Linner (14)	Linner (10)
Jan. 12	*Middle Tennessee	W 56-53	Linner (18)	Berry (6)
Jan. 13	*Tennessee Tech	L 58-53	Appelman (14)	Linner (11)
Jan. 16	Virginia Tech	L 75-61	Appelman (21)	Linner (8)
Jan. 19	*at Austin Peay	L 64-51	Appelman (16)	Miley (7)
Jan. 21	*at Murray State (OT)	W 66-63	Appelman (14)	Miley (8)
Jan. 24	at Northern Kentucky	W 54-49	Miley (16)	Guillette (7)
Jan. 26	*at Youngstown State	L 68-59	Appelman (14)	Guillette (10)
Jan. 28	*at Akron	W 62-39	Linner (18)	Appelman (8)
Jan. 31	at Cincinnati	L 72-65	Appel; Linner (18)	Appelman (9)
Feb. 3	Western Carolina	W 74-57	Berry (20)	Appelman (13)
Feb. 4	*at Eastern Kentucky	W 51-50	Linner (17)	Miley (7)
Feb. 9	*Youngstown State	W 64-57	Appelman (18)	Linner (12)
Feb. 11	*Akron	W 65-51	Linner (13)	Appelman (11)
Feb. 13	at Western Kentucky	L 71-55	Appelman (16)	Guillette (7)
Feb. 16	*at Middle Tennessee	L 68-49	Ireton (12)	Ireton (11)
Feb. 18	*at Tennessee Tech	W 63-58	Berry (18)	Linner (9)
Feb. 21	Western Kentucky	L 90-66	Appelman (17)	Miley (6)
Feb. 23	*Austin Peay	W 73-57	Appel; Guil. (18)	Towles (10)
Feb. 25	*Murray State	L 81-80	Guillette (18)	Guillette (9)
Mar. 2	*Eastern Kentucky			
Mar. 6-7	*at Ohio Valley Conference tournament			

+at Mississippi State Tournament, Starkville, MS

\*Ohio Valley Conference game

## MOREHEAD STATE SINGLE GAME HIGHS

	Individual	Team
Points	33, Blackford vs. Ohio U.	82, vs. Charleston
FG Made	15, Blackford vs. Ohio U.	35, vs. Murray State (2)
FG Att	21, Blackford vs. Ohio U.	73, vs. Murray State (2)
FT Made	9, Appelman vs. Virginia Tech	24, vs. Virginia Tech
FT Att	13, Appelman vs. Virginia Tech	36, vs. Virginia Tech
Rebounds	18, Blackford vs. Alcorn State	52, vs. Akron (2)
Assists	11, Berry vs. Ohio University	26, vs. Youngstown State (1)
Steals	5, Appelman vs. Tennessee Tech (2)	16, vs. Northern Kentucky
Blk Shots	4, Guillette vs. Ohio University	7, vs. Ohio University
Turnovers	8, Miley, Berry vs. Ohio University	29, vs. Mississippi State
FG%	.900, (9-10), Berry vs. Western Carolina	.578, (33-57) vs. Ohio U.
FT%	.800, (8-10), Linner vs. Marshall	.875, (7-8) vs. Miss. St., Ohio
Fouls	-----	26, vs. Western Kentucky (2)

## TEAM LOWS

	Morehead State	Opponents
Points	39, vs. Ohio State	39, by Akron (1)
FG Made	15, vs. Ohio State	17, by Akron (1), Northern Ky.
FG Att	40, vs. Tennessee Tech	45, by Northern Kentucky
FT Made	2, vs. Northern Kentucky	4, by ECU (1)
FT Att	7, vs. Youngstown State (1)	8, by Akron (1)
Rebounds	29, vs. Youngstown State (1)	16, by Akron (1)
FG%	.300 (15-50) vs. Ohio State	.347 (17-49) by Akron (1)



EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY  
1983-84 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS  
Overall: 16-10, OVC: 9-4

NAME	G	MIN	FGM	FGA	PCT	FTM	FTA	PCT	REB	AVG	A	TO	BS	ST	PF-D	TP	AVG
Tina COTTLE	26	698	162	280	.579	78	106	.736	244	9.4	14	66	15	45	85-7	402	15.5
Lisa GOODIN	21	725	102	235	.434	116	140	.829	77	3.7	80	96	0	35	56-2	320	15.2
Shannon BRADY	26	803	97	193	.497	53	79	.671	159	6.1	31	70	4	40	88-6	247	9.5
Margy SHELTON	24	652	67	157	.427	33	64	.516	132	5.5	18	48	1	12	58-3	167	7.0
Loretta PATE	26	594	62	162	.383	28	44	.636	95	3.7	42	45	4	19	53-3	152	5.8
Freda HAGAN	26	533	64	151	.424	22	29	.759	26	1.0	55	51	1	27	49-0	150	5.8
Marcia HANEY	24	562	54	132	.409	29	33	.879	63	2.6	45	41	1	8	15-0	137	5.7
Viv BOHON	26	269	16	50	.320	21	33	.636	56	2.2	9	15	1	5	29-1	53	2.0
Van MARSHEL	11	50	3	16	.188	8	13	.615	12	1.1	1	3	2	3	21-1	14	1.3
Karen EVANS	73	346	5	28	.179	5	7	.714	9	0.4	36	36	0	13	28-0	15	0.7
Lois BUNTYN	3	5	0	0	100	0		100		0	0	2	0	1	1-0	0	
Team									70			5					
Deadball																	
EKU TOTALS	26		632	1406	.450	393	550	.715	999	38.4	331	479	28	208	482-22	1657	63.7
OPP TOTALS	26		678	1482	.457	226	370	.611	870	33.5	393	480	74	232	506-18	1582	60.8

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MOREHEAD ST.	26	25			51
EASTERN KY.	25	25			50